



Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. **Richmond, Virginia**

A Newsletter of the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.

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President's Corner

Dear Richmond Council Garden Club members,

Thank you all for electing me to serve as the president of the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs for the next two years. The past two years have been rocky ones with the resignation of our exceptional president, Linda Hardwicke, and Covid.

I am looking forward to seeing many members at our combined Annual Meeting and Fashion and Flowers on May 6 at the First Baptist Church on Monument Avenue. Come and meet your new officers and Committee chairpersons for 2022-2024.

We will not meet again until September 9 (avoiding the Labor Day weekend). We meet at the Ginter Park Presbyterian Church on Walton and Seminary Avenue.

Have a healthy and relaxing summer and join us refreshed and ready to start our 90th year.

Judy Erdman
President elect



May 6th Meeting



First Baptist Church
2709 Monument Ave.
Richmond, VA

Registration and Coffee 10:00 a.m.

Business Meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.

Annual Meeting
Fashion with Flowers XXIII
“Spring Fling” design program
Presented by Brenda McManaway

Lunch provided by
First Baptist Church

Open to All Members of
Our member Garden Clubs

RCGC Dues and Yearbook Updates

It is time once again to pay dues and update the yearbook for 2022-2023.

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH A CHECK (payable to Richmond Council of Garden Clubs) FOR YOUR CLUB'S DUES TO: Jean Fender, 10000 Berry Pond Lane, Mechanicsville, VA 23116, no later than June 1.

Dues: Member clubs with 51 plus members - \$40
 Member clubs with 26-50 members - \$30
 Member clubs with 11-25 members - \$25
 Member clubs with 10 or fewer members - \$15

If there have been any changes to the following since the 2021-2022 yearbook, please update:

Meeting day (ex. 1st Tuesday) _____, Number of members _____

President

Representative

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (home) _____

Phone (cell) _____

Email _____

Lifetime Membership

Please consider giving a member of your club a Lifetime Membership. For a donation of \$50, the recipient will receive a pin and a membership card. The donation of \$50 goes to Nature Camp. Summer camp sessions will be starting before we know it, and I know the campers as well as the camp administrators would welcome the extra support. ~ For information contact Kay Rafner, Lifetime Membership Chair, at krafner@comcast.net.

Tab Tops

April's donations of 20.6 lbs. of tab tops from the clubs of Ginter Park, Greenfield, Hanover Towne, Lake Anna, Oxford, Woodland Pond, Windsor Dale was happily received by the Ronald McDonald House. This brought the 2021-22 total donations to 132.51 lbs. Even COVID could not stop your support of this worthy recycling project. Thanks !!!~Barbara Covington and Patricia Kreynus

Richmond Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.
Meals on Wheels Program
Procedures for 2022-2023

Following are the procedures that apply to the Meals on Wheels project.

Council will give financial assistance to member garden clubs who make flower arrangements for Meals on Wheels recipients. The following guidelines apply:

- 1) Clubs will be given 50 cents per arrangement, totally up to \$20.00 per club.
- 2) Requests for reimbursement are to be made to Meals on Wheels Chairman after arrangements are completed. Use the application shown below.
- 3) Written documentation must be given to the treasurer prior to the check being written to the club.
- 4) RCGC will only make one payment, per fiscal year to a club participating in the Meals on Wheels project. Clubs are encouraged to participate in the Meals on Wheels project independently. Club Presidents should contact Council Meals on Wheels Chairman Shirley Berger (jcb61@verizon.net, 262-8109) for additional information.

Application for Reimbursement for Meals on Wheels

For participating clubs that would like to be reimbursed for expenses related to this program, please complete the information below:

Name of Club _____

Number of Arrangements Made _____ Date _____

(Attach documentation that your club received from Feed More.)

Person submitting request for reimbursement _____

Please include name, phone # and email address:

Date of Request for reimbursement _____

Check to be mailed to:

Submit the completed form to:

Shirley Berger, Chairman (jcb61@verizon.net)
Meals on Wheels
8215 Brookfield Road
Richmond, VA 23227-1501

Once the Chairman has approved the application and request, it will be sent to the Treasurer for payment.



Richmond Council Garden Clubs, Inc.
Fashion with Flowers XXIII and Annual Meeting Update
Pat Merson, Chairman

Ladies,

The Annual Meeting and Fashion with Flowers XXIII is less than two weeks away!

Date: May 6, 2022

Time: 10:a.m.

Place: First Baptist Church - 2709 Monument Ave. Richmond, Virginia

Parking: Handicapped Parking in lot beside the church, church parking lot one block from church, and street parking

Annual Meeting - Committee Reports and Installation of 2022 - 2024 Officers

Floral Design Program: "Spring Fling" - Floral Designer, Brenda McManaway will make 5 or 6 floral designs. Opportunity Tickets will be sold for the floral designs.

Lunch: Chicken Caesar Salad, breadsticks, chocolate pie, apple pie, coffee, tea, and water

Fashions: Chicos will provide the fashions for our RCGC models. Thank you to Barbara Hollister, fashion coordinator and the RCGC models.

Each RCGC garden club is being asked to donate a flowering plant for the table centerpiece. Please bring the plant to the parking lot entrance by 9 a.m. Judy Durant will be at the entrance to take your plant. Thank you in advance for the donation. Opportunity tickets will be sold for the plants.

Please contact Johanna Gilbert - Phone: (804) 270-6056 by Friday, April 29, 2022, to check if seats are still available for the event. Cost: \$35.00 per person

Thank you for each garden club's support of the Annual Meeting and Fashion with Flowers XXIII!

I look forward to seeing everyone on Friday, May 6, 2022!

Pat Merson
Fashion with Flowers XXXIII Chairman

RICHMOND COUNCIL OF GARDEN CLUBS
Minutes of April Meeting
April 1, 2022

The April meeting of the Richmond Council of Garden Clubs was held at Ginter Park Presbyterian Church in Richmond. The 1st Vice President, Judy Erdman, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. The Garden Collect was recited by all, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Bonnie Parker gave the credentials report of 22 clubs represented with 38 members and 1 guest and declared a quorum present. There was no Board meeting prior to the meeting.

Minutes were posted on line. There being no additions or corrections the minutes stand approved. Julie Proctor thanked the members of Lake Anna Garden Club for the wonderful refreshments. Jean Fender gave a monthly treasurers report of \$28,114.11. She reminded clubs that dues for the year 2022-2023 were due. Jean gave members a copy of the 2022-2023 proposed budget that will be voted on at the Annual meeting May 6.

Pat Merson gave a report on Fashion of Flowers and Annual meeting which will be held May 6 at 10:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church, 2700 Monument Ave. Richmond, VA. The cost is \$35 and deadline is April 22 with a limit of 132 people with 6 at a table.

Jeanne Stigall will present a history of RCGC at the Annual meeting.

The nominating committee chairman, Jean Fender, announced the nominating committee.

Jean, Fender, Chairman, Member of Board of Directors
Pat Merson, Member of Board of Directors
Erica Gilliam, River Road Garden Club
Carolyn Snyder, Ginter Park Garden Club
Johanna Gilbert, Windsordale Garden Club

Jean Fender presented the slate of officers that were nominated in March to be voted on.

President-Judy Erdman, Ginter Park Garden Club
1st Vice President- Millie Proffitt- Ginter Park Garden Club
2nd Vice President-Co-Jane VanDenburgh, Old Ivy Garden Club
Co-Erica Gilliam, River Road Garden Club
Recording Secretary- Karen Fritter, Clay Spring Garden Club
Corresponding Secretary-Jeanne Stigall, Oxford Garden Club
Treasurer-Jean Fender, Hilliard Park Garden Club

Barbara Hollister, Parliamentarian. followed the RCGC By Laws procedure for voting of officers. The above people were voted on for the coming year 2022-2023. They will be installed at the Annual Meeting on May 6.

Report of Committee chairmen

Nature Camp- Sandra Walker passed around a brown bag to collect money for Nature Camp. She collected \$73.

Recycled Pop Tabs-Barbara Covington thanked everyone for turning in pop tabs.

Yearbook- Jean Fender reminded everyone if there were any changes please notify her.

Announcements

April 8 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. a Small Standard Flower Show will be given by River Road Garden Club at River Road Presbyterian Church.

April 16 Ginter Park Garden Club presents Spring Market from 10-3 at Ginter Park Presbyterian Church. Lots of stuff for sale

April 23 from 9:30-2 Stonehenge Garden Club has a plant sale at Stonehenge Country Club.

May 1-3 VFGC Convention at Hilton Hotel in Short Pump.

There being no further business, the Richmond Council business meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Jane VanDenburgh introduced Keith Tignor from the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Conservation Services. He gave a very interesting slide presentation and talk on "400 Years of Bee keeping in Virginia".

**RICHMOND COUNCIL OF GARDEN CLUBS
PROPOSED BUDGET - 2022-2023**

ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS:

Dues 33 Clubs	835.00
Interest From CD's	3,500.00
Stock Broker Dividends	11,665.00
Fashion With Flowers Fundraiser	<u>5,000.00</u>
TOTAL ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS	\$21,000.00

ANTICIPATED DISBURSEMENTS:

AWARDS, GRANTS, PROJECTS:

J. Malcolm Pace Awards	600.00
Metropolitan Landscape Project Grants	2,000.00
Horticulture Therapy Project (replace MOW)	1,000.00
Donation to RCGC Habitat for Humanity Fund	500.00
Donation to Nature Camp, Inc.	1,000.00
Donation to Maymont Foundation	1,000.00
Donation to School Gardening	1,000.00
Habitat for Humanity Project Expense	500.00
Fashion With Flowers Expenses	2,500.00
Annual Meeting & Program	2,000.00
Monthly Programs	3,500.00
Hospitality	700.00
Memorials	100.00
Miscellaneous	620.00

OFFICER & CHAIRMAN EXPENSES

President	100.00
Corresponding Sec. & Newsletter	100.00
Historian	100.00
Treasurer	100.00
Conservation Chairman	70.00
Horticulture Chairman	100.00

OPERATING EXPENSES

Bonding Fee & Insurances	685.00
Rent	1,925.00
Tax Preparation	250.00
Yearbooks	250.00
Website	<u>300.00</u>

TOTAL ANTICIPATED DISBURSEMENTS	\$21,000.00
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FINANCE COMMITTEE: Barbara Hollister, Pat Merson, Judy Erdman, Jeanne Stigall, Jean Fender, Chairman
Recommends 3/4/22





Plants and More Sale
 Saturday May 21
 8:00 am – 12:00 noon
 8283 Silkwood Dr., Mechanicsville

~ Annuals ~ Herbs ~
 ~ Unique containers ~
 Garden books ~ hand-painted signs ~
 yard art & MORE!

(Rain Date Sun. 5/22)

Sponsored by Hanover Towne Garden
 Club



Central Virginia Iris Society
Is pleased to present
2022 IRIS FLOWER SHOW

“LIVING WITH IRIS”

May 7, 2022 - 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Open to the Public

Free to Exhibit & Free to Attend
 Mechanicsville Branch Library
 7461 Sherwood Crossing Place,
 Mechanicsville, VA 23111

Open to ALL Iris Growers and all Iris Classes

No entry fees

Entries will be received from 10 am – noon

(Exhibition Materials provided at no charge)

Judging from 12:30pm – 2:00pm

Show Open to the Public 2:00 – 5:00pm

Follow our Facebook Group Page: Central Virginia
 Iris Society



BIG YARD SALE

BAKE SALE

PLANT SALE

SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2022 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

(RAIN OR SHINE)

**CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, 7809 WOODMAN ROAD
 (ACROSS FROM MOODY MIDDLE SCHOOL)**

Fundraiser for Hilliard Park Garden Club Community Projects

Calendar of Upcoming Events!

May 6, 2022 – RCGC Annual Meeting, Luncheon, Fashion with Flowers and program, ‘Spring Fling’ by Brenda McManaway to be held at First Baptist Church, 2709 Monument Avenue, Richmond, VA

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